

House Resolution 809

By: Representatives Thompson of the 104th and Everson of the 106th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Bartow Jenkins; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its distinguished citizens and
3 public servants with the passing of Bartow Jenkins on September 17, 2008; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Bartow Jenkins served in the United States Navy during the final months of
5 World War II and, after receiving an honorable discharge from the United States Navy,
6 attended Troy State College in Alabama; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1954, Mr. Jenkins came to Lawrenceville, Georgia, to take a teaching job and
8 serve as football coach and served as football coach at Central Gwinnett-Lawrenceville High
9 School from its opening until 1974; and
- 10 WHEREAS, following his retirement as a football coach, Mr. Jenkins served as an assistant
11 principal at Central Gwinnett High School, the first principal of Parkview High School, and
12 as director of athletics for the Gwinnett County School District; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Jenkins served on the Lawrenceville City Council, was elected President
14 of the Gwinnett Municipal Association, was elected to the Gwinnett County Commission,
15 and served as Mayor of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia, from 1988 until he retired in
16 2002; and
- 17 WHEREAS, as a faithful member of Lawrenceville First Baptist Church, Mr. Jenkins taught
18 Sunday school for many years and was as dedicated to his position as a Sunday school
19 teacher as to his position as an educator, football coach, and public servant; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Bartow Jenkins believed his years as a coach, teacher, city councilmember, and
21 mayor were a calling to public service and served his city, county, and state with dedication
22 and distinction.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body hereby join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Bartow Jenkins
25 and in expressing their appreciation for his dedicated public service to his city, his county,
26 and his state.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Jenkins's family.